AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 25, with the following paragraph:

--The panel of the panel loudspeaker consists of a sandwich structure, wherein preferably two opposing surfaces of a very light core layer are connected, for example by an adhesive bond, by way of a respective cover layer that is thin in comparison to the core layer. The panel loudspeaker has a particularly good sound reproduction if the material for the cover layer has a high dilatational wave velocity. Suitable material for cover layers are, for example, thin metal foils or fiber-reinforced plastic foils. The core layer also has to meet certain requirements and should have a particularly low density of, for example, 20 to 30 kg/m³). The core layer should also be able to withstand high shearing forces acting normal to the cover layers, which requires that the elasticity module modulus of elasticity in the direction normal to the cover layers is sufficiently large, whereas a small elasticity module modulus of elasticity parallel to the cover layers is acceptable. Accordingly, the core layer can be either anisotropic or isotropic. Suitable ultra-light core layer structures are, for example, honeycomb structures made of light metal alloys or resin-impregnated fiber-reinforced paper (anisotropic) and expanded foam (isotropic).--